

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed December 12, 2005, the Examiner restricted Examination of the present application to three sets of claims. By the present Response, Applicants elect to proceed with prosecution of the first identified group, namely claims 1-19. Other claims pending in the application have been canceled without prejudice. This election is made without traverse.

The Examiner further identified a number of species said to be shown in the various figures of the application as filed. Applicants provisionally elect to proceed with the first named species said to be illustrated in Figure 1. This election is made with traverse. All of claims 1-19 are believed to read on the overall embodiment illustrated in Figure 1.

Regarding the species identified by the Examiner, Applicants point out that Figure 1 is merely a system overview of a generator system that would employ the cooling technique recited in the claims. Figure 2 is a sectional view of Figure 1 illustrating an embodiment in which tubes are coaxially disposed within the system. Figure 3 is merely a perspective view of the arrangement of Figure 2. Figure 4 is merely a flow chart illustrating the manner in which the cooling would take place in all of the systems and alternatives described in the application and claimed in the pending claims. Figure 5 is a sectional view of an alternative to the arrangement of Figure 2, in which cryogenic coolant fluid supply tubes are not disposed coaxially in the system.

Clearly, the pending claims generically are read on by the overview of Figure 1. Moreover, Applicants would submit that the various figures filed in the application do not, in fact, represent separate species. Rather, they are different views of the system (and a flow chart) provided for explanatory purposes. At most, there are only two separate species, those illustrated in Figures 2 and 5. Even these species are read on by the independent claims now pending. In any event, all the claims are read on by Figure 1.

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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